

**REMARKS**

**Summary of the Final Office Action**

Claims 1 and 5 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Kato (JP 07-298476).

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Uman (US 4,276,576).

Claim 2 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kato in view of Wynn et al. (US 6,104,583).

**Summary of the Response to the Final Office Action**

Applicants have canceled independent claims 1 and 2. Applicants have amended claim 5 to only depend on independent claim 3. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully assert that claims 3-5 are allowable.

**Allowable Subject Matter**

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for indicating allowable subject matter in claims 3 and 4. Claims 1 and 2 have been canceled. Applicants have amended claim 5 to only depend on independent claim 3. Accordingly, the rejections of claims 1 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Kato (JP 07-298476) and the rejection of claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Uman (US 4,276,576) are moot. Applicants respectfully assert that claims 3-5 are allowable.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and the timely allowance of the pending claims. Should the Examiner believe that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of this response, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative to expedite prosecution.


If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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